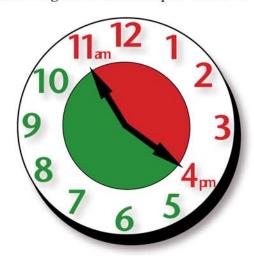
## **Checklist Hot Weather Factors**

- ✓ Extreme heat conditions exist when temperature and humidity are at levels in which they create a heat index greater than or equal to 100°F.
  - Heat index levels at 100°F or greater pose a significant risk to stressed cattle.
  - Avoid transporting cattle in extreme heat conditions (when temperature and humidity create heat indexes in gray zones (see the heat index chart).
- Avoid hauling and handling cattle between 11:00am and 4:00pm, which is most often the hottest time of the day.



- If cattle must be hauled at times of high temperature and humidity, avoid stopping.
- ✓ If stopping along the way is absolutely necessary:
  - Make stop durations as short as possible.
  - Try stopping during cooler parts of the day if at all possible.
  - Pick shaded areas if you have to stop.
- During hot weather consider placing fewer cattle on the trailer.
- Handling cattle gently and patiently is especially critical in extreme heat conditions:
  - When cattle are stressed in extreme heat conditions, they are more likely to become non-ambulatory, sick and even die.